



YEAR IN REVIEW

LEADING THE NATION

The Tennessee Department of Education led the nation in COVID-19 response and launched several initiatives aligned with the department's strategic priorities— including academics, student readiness, educators— to support academic achievement and student outcomes. These initiatives have helped make our state a national leader in serving students, families and communities despite the challenges of a global pandemic.



The state's comprehensive literacy initiative— Reading 360— includes systematic foundational literacy, educator and leader preparation, instructional materials, training, coaching, ongoing support, and online and family resources.



The state's high-dosage, low-ratio tutoring program— Tennessee Accelerating Literacy and Learning Corps (TN ALL Corps)— will ensure availability of qualified tutors for students, no matter where they live.



The state's model to establish a permanent solution for the educator pipeline— Grow Your Own— through multiple pathways to enter the teaching profession for free.



The state's Innovative School Models provide a vision for middle and high schools of the future to increase student postsecondary attainment through groundbreaking partnerships that elevate access for all students.



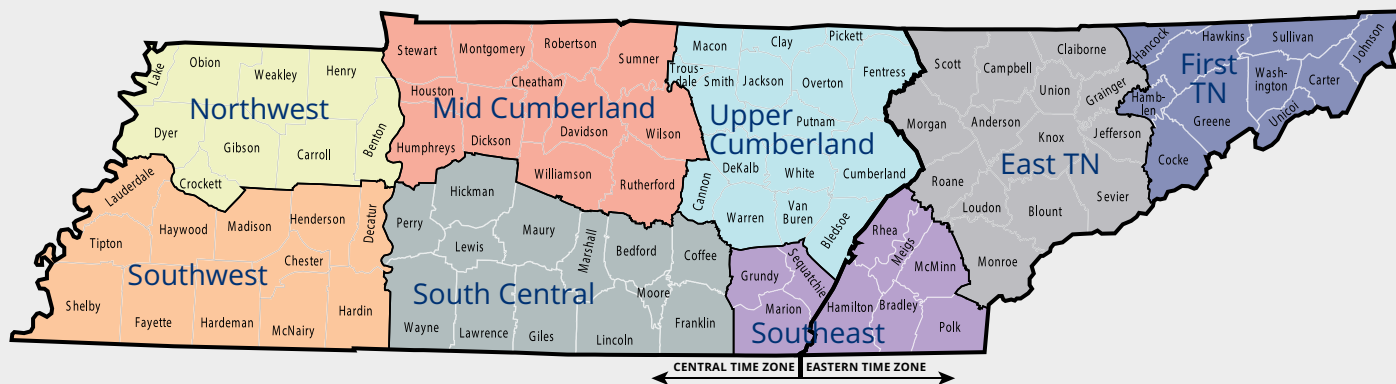
The Tennessee Investment in Student Achievement funding formula is designed to empower each student to read proficiently by third grade, prepare each high school graduate to succeed in the postsecondary program or career of the graduate's choice, and provide each student with the resources needed to succeed, regardless of the student's individual circumstances.



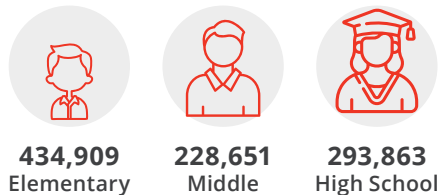
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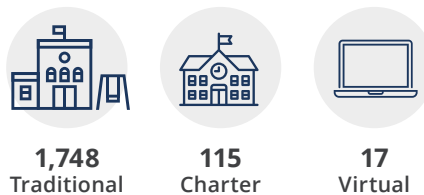
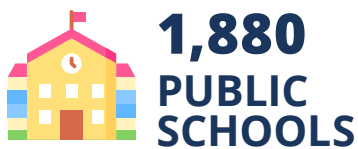
TENNESSEE'S CORE REGIONS



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SCHOOL
DISTRICTS



- **33.5%** Economically disadvantaged
- **7.8%** English Language learners
- **13.5%** Students with disabilities



KEY POLICIES

TENNESSEE LITERACY SUCCESS ACT

This legislation laid a policy foundation for literacy in Tennessee to ensure every STUDENT builds strong reading skills grounded in phonics, and every EDUCATOR is supported with training and resources to become a strong literacy instructor.

TENNESSEE LEARNING LOSS REMEDIATION AND STUDENT ACCELERATION ACT

This legislation established learning loss remediation camps over the course of two summers serving students entering grades 1-8, a statewide Tennessee Accelerating Literacy and Learning Corps (ALL Corps) and more.

TEACHER PAY

The Tennessee General Assembly approved nearly \$43 million to be used for teacher pay raises, effective January 1, 2021.